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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA**  
**MISSOULA DIVISION**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,</b>  <b>Plaintiff,</b>  <b>vs.</b>  <b>MICHAEL BLAKE DEFRANCE,</b>  <b>Defendant.</b>	<b>CR 21-29-M-DLC</b>  <b>RESPONSE TO ORDER</b> <b>REGARDING BENCH TRIAL –</b> <b>NO OBJECTION</b>
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On March 8, 2022, this Court issued an order directing the United States to file a response to clarify whether or not it objects to the Defendant's request to set a bench trial in the above matter. (Doc. 88).

The United States does not object to this Court setting this matter for a bench trial.

DATED this 8th day of March, 2022.

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